



## CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Canceled).
2. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 38 wherein said wall top surface is raised relative to the exterior surface of said tubular member.
3. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 38 wherein said aperture is threaded internally and said end stem of said connecting supporting member is externally matingly threaded ~~at least at its free end~~ for engaging into said internally threaded aperture.
4. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 2 wherein said aperture is threaded internally and said end stem of said connecting supporting member is externally matingly threaded ~~at least at its free end~~ for engaging into said internally threaded aperture.
5. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 38 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
6. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 2 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
7. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 3 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
8. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 4 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
9. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 38 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
10. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 2 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
11. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 3 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
12. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 4 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
13. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 5 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

14. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 6 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
15. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 7 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
16. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 8 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
17. (Canceled).
18. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 38 wherein said wall top surface is raised relative to the exterior surface of said tubular member.
19. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 39 wherein said aperture is threaded internally and said end stem of said connecting supporting member is externally matingly threaded ~~at least at its free end~~ for engaging into said internally threaded aperture.
20. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 18 wherein said aperture is threaded internally and said end stem of said connecting supporting member is externally matingly threaded ~~at least at its free end~~ for engaging into said internally threaded aperture.
21. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 39 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
22. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 18 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
23. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 19 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
24. (Currently Amended) A combination device as in claim 20 further including a lock nut along said end of said connecting member stem for locking ~~the free~~ said end of said connecting member stem into said aperture.
25. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 39 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
26. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 18 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.
27. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 19 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

28. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 20 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

29. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 21 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

30. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 22 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

31. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 23 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

32. (Previously Presented) A combination device as in claim 24 wherein a stop member projects internally at about the middle of said tubular member.

33. (Currently Amended) The combination device of claim 38, wherein said ~~free end of the stem of the supporting~~ said connecting member is positioned within the confine of said tubular member in contact with said ~~at least one~~ conduits.

34. (Previously Presented) The combination device of claim 38, wherein each of said ends of said tubular member is externally threaded for receiving said conduit.

35. (Previously Presented) The combination device of claim 38, wherein each of said ends of said tubular member further having an opening through said tubular member, said opening is internally threaded to receive a set screw for securely positioning said conduit.

36. (Canceled).

37. (Previously Presented) The combination device of claim 38, wherein said aperture is generally perpendicular to said longitudinal axis of said tubular member.

38. (Currently Amended) A combination device for positioning and securing ~~at least one an~~ electrical wire-carrying conduit to a remote supporting structure, comprising:

a coupling member adapted to receive and support ~~one end of~~ said conduit, said coupling member comprising a tubular member having at least one ~~opposed axially aligned~~ ends, each of said ends adapted to receive one end of said conduit, and said tubular member having a wall containing top surface ~~and an aperture facing said remote supporting structure through said top surface~~; and

a connecting member having opposite ends, one end of said connecting member securely engaging said aperture in said wall of said tubular member, the opposite end of said connecting member extending outwardly beyond said wall and adapted to securely engage said remote supporting structure, to securely hold and support said coupling member and said conduit in a selected position

~~a supporting member for securing said coupling member to said structure above said coupling member, said supporting member comprising a stem having a free end portion adapted to securely engage said coupling member and engage said conduit through said aperture, wherein said supporting member is positioned above said aperture on said top surface of said tubular member.~~

39. (Currently Amended) A combination device for positioning and securing a pair of electrical wire-carrying conduits to a remote supporting structure, comprising:

a coupling member adapted to receive and support said conduits, said coupling member comprising an integral tubular member having a generally cylindrical wall surrounding an interior space and opposed axially aligned ends, each of said ends adapted to receive one end of one of said pair of conduits, and said tubular member having an aperture through said cylindrical wall into said interior space facing said remote supporting structure; and

a connecting member having opposite ends, one end of said connecting member securely engaging said aperture in said wall of said tubular member such that said end of said connecting member extends into said interior space to securely engage said ends of said conduits received in said coupling member, the opposite end of said connecting member extending outwardly beyond said wall and adapted to securely engage said remote supporting structure, to securely hold and support said coupling member and said pair of conduits in a selected position

~~a supporting member for securing said coupling member to said structure adjacent said coupling member, said supporting member comprising a stem having a free end portion and engaging said aperture to support said tubular member and is positioned in said interior space of said tubular member sufficient to engage said ends of said conduits received through said opposite ends of said tubular member.~~

40. (Previously Presented) The combination device of claim 38 wherein said tubular member further having a wall surrounding an interior space, wherein said aperture receives said ~~free end portion of said stem of said supporting~~ connecting member within said interior space.